

HOW RED CROSS AIDED IN WAR-TORN REGION

Agents Find Terrible Conditions Existing Among the People of Roumania.

ALMOST ENTIRE BREAKDOWN

Drugs are Hurdled to Front to Serve the Sick and Injured People—Provide Artificial Limbs for the Crippled.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—New light on the part America has played in helping the Roumanians during the war is contained in a report just issued by the American Red Cross on its work in Roumania. That country, overrun by the Germans and Bulgarians, was in a terrible condition, and all classes of her people, headed by the King and Queen, have united in expressions of gratitude to the Red Cross for its unselfish and sorely needed service.

The Red Cross Commission, entering Roumania shortly after the armistice, found a general breakdown of all the essential avenues of production and supply. Absolute starvation was, in many communities, the rule rather than the exception, and disease, often in epidemic form, had penetrated everywhere. Ten per cent of the population was wiped out in 1917 and 1918 through war and disease.

The relief work done by the Red Cross took many shapes, and was done in association with local organizations wherever they existed. In Roumania, it was found, was adequately supplied with native doctors, at least in the cities, and the Red Cross was thus able to give its undivided attention, in this part of the work, to the urgent surgical and medical supplies.

Sent Drugs to People.

Drugs were sent to Roumania to the full extent of the Red Cross's resources. All kinds of antiseptics, mercurials, antitoxins, sulphur, cardiac stimulants, narcotics, iodides, bromides and laxatives of all sorts were provided. The lack of surgical dressings, rubber goods and surgical instruments in almost all hospitals was repaired as far as possible.

The manufacture of artificial limbs was undertaken, at the request of the Roumanian government, and the approximately 5,000 cases of leg amputations, many of which were due to frostbite, were being treated. The work was taken over by the government on October 1.

During the severe fighting last summer between the Roumanians and the Bolsheviks, the Red Cross, in answer to an urgent appeal, supplied the Roumanian army with ten ambulances. Military canteens, conducted by the Red Cross at railroad stations and other points where large numbers of soldiers gathered, did much to keep up the morale of the army.

Home Service Work Done.

Home service work was instituted with excellent results. It consisted almost entirely of correspondence with the central office at Bucharest, the prefects of the various districts where the families of the soldiers were located, and the home service department in Paris and Washington. Where the families of the soldiers were located, in need, assistance was given promptly in the shape of supplies and financial help.

In August of this year the Red Cross sold to the Roumanian authorities cotton and textiles valued at 11,000,000 francs for use in the clothing of the soldiers. The clothing was shipped throughout the country. A shipment of 1,000 tons of clothing, destined for Roumania, was destroyed by fire in New York and it was arranged that 500 to 1,000 tons of clothing allocated to other sections should be diverted to Roumania.

An example of the work in sanitation and health done by the Red Cross was the work in the district of 300 towns and villages around Buzau. Upon taking up their work the workers found a hospital in Buzau where there were 125 patients with smallpox, typhus and other diseases, who were sleeping on bare boards and had been without food for days. There were no doctors or medicines. The workers cleaned the hospital, bathed the patients and brought in beds, food, medicine and clothing, with the result that since they took it over there has been only a single death.

Danger Signs Posted.

Graphic posters were prepared and distributed by the Red Cross showing the dangers of playing with the unexploded ammunition which can be found in many parts of the Balkan States. In this way a marked decrease was noticed in the number of children who were brought into hospitals and dispensaries with wounds inflicted from playing with the bombs they had picked up on the battle fields.

Eleven relief stations were established, each one with a minimum radius of activity of 100 kilometers. Food supplies were distributed, often through the medium of very primitive transportation, orphans were assisted and supported, clothes were distributed, to replace the large worn by a good part of the population. Hot lunches were provided to school children, materials for vocational schools to continue functioning were furnished, and a score of other relief activities were directed from these stations.

Before leaving Roumania, the Red Cross Commission drew up a comprehensive plan for future work in that country. To carry out this plan, the most part by existing native and foreign agencies. The crops of 1919 were the greatest in the history of the country, and after the work of the Red Cross the Roumanians look forward confidently to the early rehabilitation of their country.

American Woovers Need More Polish

Foreign Woman Complains They Use Too Little "Taffy."

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Girls, your troubles are multiplying!—Not only the other day they charged your coattails were far from the Cinderella type. Then came China's oldest maid hailing "asparagus" at your matchmaking methods.

Now it is Vera Janacopoulos, the beautiful Greek-Brazilian soprano. Vera has spent most of her time in Paris, and is considered an authority on affairs of the theater.

"American men are too shy and too nervous to say pretty things to women," declares the lovely south American-Parisienne. "They are clever and they know about women, but they are reserved—they are self-conscious."

"A Spaniard can tell you without blinking your eyes deceived him into thinking he had gone into heaven suddenly, and that your eyes were twin pools, with the sun reflected in them. An American man could be likely to say, 'Some voice' or 'Some eyes'."

"When an American girl tells me that she just loves foreigners," continues Miss Janacopoulos, "I am never surprised any more. I have discovered the secret of the charm."

"Americans do not take love seriously enough, or else they take it too seriously. It is because the foreigner plays at making love so skilfully that many of our countrywomen find him fascinating."

"I had heard so much about the American, how he treated women as if they were princesses. It is true. 'But a Frenchman, an Italian or a Spaniard does seem to have more in his heart for the feminine character than the American or Englishman. He will trouble to pay her compliments, and he is a little low-spirited or uncertain of himself.'"

PLAN MEMORIAL SERVICES

St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church Will Pay Tribute to Men Who Died in War.

St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church will hold a memorial service tonight for the members of the congregation who paid the supreme sacrifice in the world war. The four men on this roll of honor of St. John's are: W. J. Cobb, W. R. Kline, Stuart M. Pierce and Ernest W. Woodward.

St. John's is a church of 100 members, and the service will be held at 8 o'clock. The roll of names is as follows:

Allen C. Andrews, Shirley C. King, W. J. Cobb, W. R. Kline, Stuart M. Pierce, Ernest W. Woodward, W. J. Cobb, W. R. Kline, Stuart M. Pierce, Ernest W. Woodward.

TO DEMAND REPARATION

State Department Advised Jenkins Was Forced to Pay Own Ransom of \$200,000.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—A demand by the United States government that President Carranza make reparation is expected to follow an announcement by the State Department tonight that thirty-eight members of the American consulate who were captured near Puebla, Mexico, October 19, by Mexican bandits, were forced to pay their own ransom of 200,000 pesos, about \$200,000.

The announcement of the State Department was the first official confirmation that Jenkins had to produce the ransom money himself, and that no financial aid came from the Carranza government for the release of the captives. It is believed the United States will now demand that Carranza reimburse Jenkins for the ransom money.

ARRAIGN FULTON RESIDENTS

Twelve Householders Are Charged With Failure to Close Wells and Use City Water.

Charged with failing to close their wells and substitute city water in lieu of a number of Fulton residents were arraigned in Police Court yesterday morning. Twelve of the cases were continuing until December 1, and five were dismissed.

Those whose cases were continued are: J. B. Hutchinson, C. H. Smith, J. W. Riles, Mrs. J. B. Williams, J. B. Parsons, J. E. Hines, T. A. Throgmorton, Miss T. W. Clark, G. R. Blankenship, J. E. Terry, A. G. Nelson, Charles Laura Galt, Marcus McKay, Mary Autney, John Taylor and Peter Branton, were all dismissed.

Taken Charge of Work.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Nov. 1.—J. A. Mansfield, formerly city engineer of Danville for fifteen years, has taken charge of the district State highway office here, and will administer fourteen counties contiguous to Lynchburg. He will supervise all road construction in these counties as well as maintenance.

WILL DEFER DISCUSSION OF UNIVERSAL 8-HOUR DAY

Labor Representatives at International Conference Not Ready to Begin Debate.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—At the request of the labor delegates the question of a universal eight-hour day will be deferred Monday by the International Labor conference.

Representatives of labor at a conference today decided they were not yet ready to begin the debate on the eight-hour day, as they desire to hold informal conferences with capital delegates. They so reported to the steering committee, which agreed to recommend the postponement.

Appointment of new committees on standing orders and the admission of new members will be the only matters on the program when the conference reconvenes after the week-end recess.

Dissatisfied with the present basis of representation in the international labor conference, the labor group delegates decided today to make an effort to throw out the votes of all countries which have not sent worker delegates and are reported only by government appointees.

More than ten Latin-American countries, as well as China, Roumania and Argentina, have not sent labor delegates, and are represented by the officials who were not acquainted intimately with conditions in their home countries and not qualified to represent them.

The grievances goes back to the provisions of the Versailles treaty, which gave the government two delegates, employers one and labor one. The Amsterdam meeting of the International Federation of Trade Unions, which held its second annual conference in each case also be reduced to one.

LEGION ASKS ADVICE

Federal Board Is Expected to Send Men to Convention in Minneapolis.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Henry D. Lindsay, chairman of the American Legion, has extended an invitation to the standing committee of the Federal board for vocational education, requesting their attendance at the national convention of the American Legion, which is to be held in Minneapolis, Minn., November 10, 11 and 12, 1919.

It is probable that James P. Munroe, vice-chairman of the board; Arthur E. Holder, representing labor; Calvin McManis, representing agriculture, and Uel W. Lankin, chief of rehabilitation, will attend the convention for the purpose of securing close co-operation of the legion.

Lindsay and a committee of leaders of the American Legion made a personal call upon the standing committee of the Federal board for vocational education several days ago. After a conference covering more than two hours, the committee departed, well pleased with their visit, leaving information that the legion would feel honored if the members of the standing committee will attend the convention.

Chosen Head of Legion.

WINCHESTER, VA., Nov. 1.—Dr. Lewis M. Allen, formerly of Baltimore, who served in the medical corps of the army during the world war, has been elected commander of the Lloyd Williams Post of the American Legion at Berryville, Va. Major Williams commanded a detachment of marines and was mortally wounded at Chateau-Thierry. Surviving comrades directed by a French officer to retire, Williams impetuously exclaimed, "Retreat—hell, no!" He was at the time suffering from wounds, but pressed on with his men. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin Williams, of Clarke County.

"Kiss" Strike Ruins Once Happy Home

Husband Would Not Salute Her Affectionately Before Relatives.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—A "kiss strike" at Dayton, Ohio; a "kiss strike" in Europe, hooks and eyes and a cut-and-dried schedule for their married existence wrecked the honeymoon of Frank Skerl, mechanical engineer and inventor of this city, and his wife, Amelia, now working in a local phonograph shop, she avers, because she decided to "live her own life."

The couple's marital troubles were aired today in the wife's separation suit in State Supreme Court.

The trouble first arose out of a disagreement in the question of clothes, the wife testified, and to escape "persecution," she left him in November, 1918.

Another objection made by Mrs. Skerl, who is a comely blond, was her husband's refusal to kiss her before relatives.

She said his daily program was: 8 A. M.—Leave home for office. 12 M.—Home for quick lunch. 3 P. M.—Home for dinner. 8 P. M.—Retire.

The Skerls were married July 10, 1910, and shortly after went to Europe. She testified her husband examined her trunk and compelled her to replace all fasteners on her clothes with buttons.

In Trieste the couple had a disagreement and during that period she remained unkind, she told Justice Matlack.

In Dayton, earlier in 1917, her husband, she further stated, went on a "talk strike" for two weeks.

Skerl entered a general denial. Decision was reserved.

BRITISH PEOPLE FEEL EFFECTS OF COAL STRIKE

Food Ministry and Business Men Are Acutely Worried Over Present Fuel Situation.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The coal strike in America presents a serious threat to the already grave coal situation in Britain, and indeed throughout Europe. Information obtained tonight shows that the British food ministry and business men of all classes are acutely worried over the developments of the coal strike in America, which threatens to cut off Europe from the most urgent necessities of life.

American coal merchants here agree that Europe faces during the coming winter the worst coal shortage on record as a result of the strike in the United States. More coal is already ordered now than can possibly be delivered.

The British food supply, normally shipped at this time of year through American ports, is being cut off, which greatly aggravates the situation here at a time when the strictest governmental rationing are already in force. Fruits, wheat and meat are mainly affected.

Women Earn Medals.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Nov. 1.—Thirteen women have earned Red Cross medals here for having given \$100 or more hours of service to that work during the war. They are Mrs. W. G. Willis, Miss Chla Guggenheimer, Miss E. P. Cox, Mrs. John Victor, Mrs. Katherine Dicks, Miss Margaret Lucade, Mrs. Joseph Nathan, Miss Bernadette M. Neubauer, Mrs. S. S. Hirsch, Mrs. L. G. Bell and Miss Mamie Bell.

Dies in New York.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Nov. 1.—News has been received here of the death during the war, of Seymour Locke, who formerly lived just outside of Lynchburg, in Bedford County. His wife and a son survive him.

HEAR EVIDENCE OF TWO IN CHARLOTTE RIOT CASE

Eight Lawyers in Trial Participate in Two-Hour Argument Adjourned to Thursday.

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 1.—Only two witnesses were heard today in the trial of Chief of Police Orr and thirty policemen, charged with murder of five men in the riot at the street car barn August 28. Two hours of the four-hour session was consumed by argument by counsel, in which all of the eight lawyers in the case participated. The trial will be resumed next Thursday.

L. T. Pierce, a car inspector, who was at the car barn the night of the shooting, told of hearing that night from Spencer, N. C. to help take the strike breakers from the barn and swore that he heard the officers cursing the crowd, which was quiet, he said, until a policeman knocked down Clem Wilson. William Armstrong said he was in the crowd and Chief Orr shoved him back, using vigorous language.

The two hours' clash between opposing counsel was over the legality of the question asked by Attorney Candler of witness Pierce as to whether he believed on the night of

the riot that the police would offer resistance if the crowd undertook to take the "scabs" out of the barn. Counsel for the prosecution vigorously objected to this question and Judge Alexander sustained the objection.

Death of Mrs. Ethel D. Rogers.

Mrs. Ethel Dickinson Rogers, wife of Dudley Rogers, formerly of Richmond, died at her home in Sewickley, Penn., Friday night. She is survived by her husband, her mother, Mrs. Arthur Dickerson, and one sister, Miss Bertha Dickinson.

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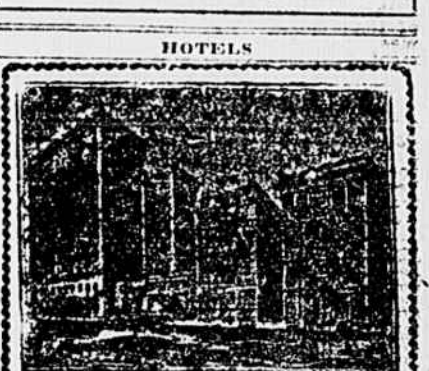
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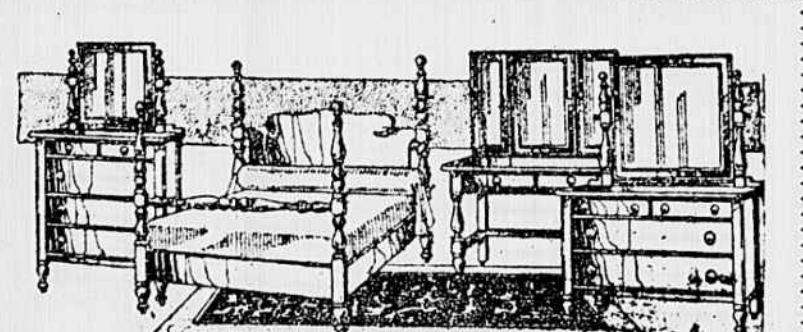
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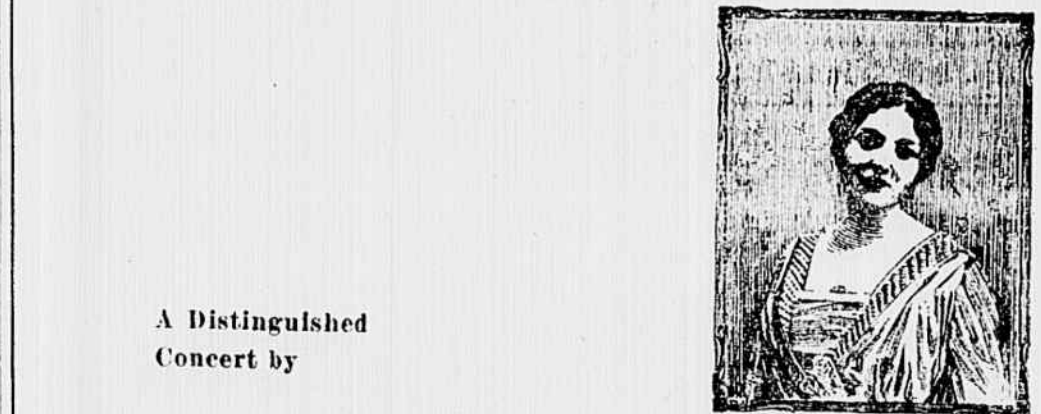


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